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Claims

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- 1. A method for producing identification marks (5) in a layer-structured paper or board (7) to be manufactured as a continuous web, **characterized in** that the marks (5) are made with a laser beam (4) on a moving web form fiber layer (1), on which a second layer of material (6) is overlaid in such a way that the marks remain inside the layer structure (7) of the moving web.
- 2. A method according to claim 1, characterized in that the marks (5) are made by burning the surface of the fiber layer (1).
- 3. A method according to claim 1, characterized in that the marks are made by engraving hollows (5') on the fiber layer (1).
 - 4. A method according to claim 1, characterized in that the fiber layer (1) contains mixing agent that is reacted or vaporized with a laser beam (4).
 - 5. A method according to one of the previous claims, characterized in that after the marking phase, the moving fiber layer (1) is laid against another moving, web form fiber layer (6).
 - 6. A method according to claim 5, characterized in that the marking takes place with a paper or board machine as the fiber layer (1) contains moisture originating from pulp, in which case the web (7) is dried after the joining of the layers (1, 6).
- 7. A method according to claim 6, characterized in that the materials of the 20 fiber layers (1, 6) to be joined differ from one another.
 - 8. A method according to claim 7, characterized in that one fiber layer to be joined is of chemical pulp and the other of mechanical or chemical/mechanical pulp.
 - 9. A method according to claim 7 or 8, characterized in that one of the fiber layers to be joined is of unbleached pulp and the other of bleached pulp.
- 25 10. A method according to one of the previous claims, characterized in that the marked web form fiber layer (1) is applied with a coating layer, covering the marks (5).
 - 11. Layer-structured paper or board (7) containing identification marks that can be manufactured with a method according to one of the previous claims,

characterized in that the web form paper or board (7) contains marks (5) made with a laser beam and these marks are embedded inside the layer-structure.

- 12. A paper or board according to claim 11, characterized in that the web is rolled around a drum or core.
- 5 13. A layer-structured board (7) containing identification marks that can be manufactured with a method according to one of the claims 1-10, **characterized in** that the board contains marks (5) made with a laser beam, and the marks are embedded inside the structure formed by a series of fiber layers (6, 1, 8) of the board.
- 10 14. Board according to claim 13, characterized in that the marks are darker figures (5) on the surface of the fiber layer (1), made by the reaction induced with a laser beam.
 - 15. Board according to claim 13, characterized in that the marks are hollows (5') cut with a laser beam on the fiber layer (1) and that these hollows are filled with a different type of material present in the next fiber layer (6).
 - 16. A board according to claim 14 or 15, characterized in that one of the fiber layers is of chemical pulp and the other of mechanical or chemical/mechanical pulp.
 - 17. A board according to one of the claims 13-16, characterized in that it is a fold-carton formed of sulfate and CTMP layers.

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